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Town Officers for the Year 1911

TOWN CLERK.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

TREASURER.

WALTER H. THAYER.

SELECTMEN.

CARROLL E. WHITE, Chairman.

MICHAEL F. RYAN,

HENRY W. PICKERING.

ASSESSORS.

CHARLES S. CARTER,

Term expires March, 1912

CARROLL E. WHITE,

Term expires March, 1913

ORVILLE C. RHODES,

Term expires March, 1914

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

HENRY W. PICKERING,

Term expires March, 1912

OTTO L. BULLARD,

Term expires March, 1913

FELIX S. BROTHERS,

Term expires March, 1914

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

JAMES O. RICHARDSON,

Term expires March, 1912

TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,

Term expires March, 1913

HENRY McCARTHY,

Term expires March, 1914

AUDITOR.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

WALTER H. THAYER.

TREE WARDEN.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

FENCE VIEWERS.

MAURICE J. CONNOLLY, ORVILLE C. RHODES,
CLINTON O. WHITNEY.

CONSTABLES.

HIRAM E. CROOKS, EDWIN M. BENNETT,
JAMES E. KENNELLY, WALTER H. THAYER.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

WESLEY E. HOWES,	Term expires March, 1912
MRS. MARY L. WRIGHT,	Term expires March, 1912
MRS. ALICE A. BURR,	Term expires March, 1913
MISS BERTHA FRANKLIN,	Term expires March, 1913
MRS. OLIVE COOK,	Term expires March, 1914
DAVID G. JONES,	Term expires March, 1914

CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

S. FRED METCALF,	Term expires March, 1912
HENRY A. WHITNEY,	Term expires March, 1913
ORVILLE C. RHODES,	Term expires March, 1914

Appointments by the Selectmen, 1911.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN.

JAMES A. SPENCER.

FIELD DRIVERS.

MAURICE J. CONNOLLY, JOSEPH PALMER,
NATHANIEL W. PICKERING.

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER.

ELBRIDGE A. RHODES,	HIRAM E. CROOKS,
L. FRANCIS THAYER,	SAMUEL METCALF,
HARRY E. CAMP,	HENRY A. WHITNEY.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

LUMAN R. CAMP,	CLARENCE A. CROOKS,
HARRY E. CAMP,	L. FRANCIS THAYER.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND PROVISIONS.
CARROLL E. WHITE.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

POLICE OFFICERS.
FRANK DUQUETTE, JAMES O. RICHARDSON,
ALBERT A. SPENCER.

POLICE OFFICERS FOR JULY 3 AND 4.
HARRY E. CAMP, HADLEY D. PERKINS,
E. HAMMAN JOHN MACY.

SEXTONS.
S. FRED METCALF, HENRY A. WHITNEY,
ORVILLE C. RHODES, HENRY W. PICKERING.

AUCTIONEER.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

INSPECTOR OF GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTHS.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

BURIAL AGENT.
HENRY A. WHITNEY.

BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS APPOINTED FOR MARCH
MEETING, 1911.

ORVILLE C. RHODES,	DANIEL SULLIVAN,
CARROLL F. WHITE,	TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
CHARLES S. CARTER,	EUGENE CONNOLY,
JOSEPH MURPHY,	JOSEPH A. PALMER.

FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING.

ORVILLE C. RHODES,	TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
CARROLL F. WHITE,	DANIEL SULLIVAN.

FOR NOVEMBER MEETING.

DANIEL SULLIVAN,	TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
PATRICK J. MURPHY,	JOHN H. KENNELLY,
ORVILLE C. RHODES,	CARROLL F. WHITE,
CHARLES S. CARTER,	EMORY B. WHITING.

Town Clerk's Report.

DOG LICENSES FOR 1911.

FROM DEC. 31, 1910 TO JUNE 1, 1911.

Males, 36, at \$2 each.....	\$72 00	
Females, 1, at \$5 each.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$77 00
Fee, 20c for each.....	\$7 40	
Paid County Treasurer.....	69 60	
	<hr/>	\$77 00

FROM JUNE 1, 1911 TO DEC. 1, 1911.

Males, 94, at \$2 each.....	\$188 00	
Females, 13 at \$5 each.....	65 00	
	<hr/>	\$253 00
Fee for recording, at 20c each.....	\$21 40	
Paid County Treasurer.....	231 60	
	<hr/>	\$253 00
Total paid County Treasurer.....		\$301 20

HUNTERS' LICENSES, 1911.

Issued	82
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VITAL STATISTICS.

Marriages Recorded in Bellingham, for Year 1911.

Date	Name	Residence	Married By
1910.			
Sept.	Edmund Willett,	Bellingham,	Rev. Mederic Roberge,
6.	Eva Paquin,	Bellingham,	at Woonsocket, R. I.
1911.			
Jan.	Everett Copeland,	Bellingham,	Rev. John Reid,
24.	Esther Staples,	Bellingham,	at Franklin.
Feb.	Albert Charles Joseph Debrosse,	Bellingham,	Rev. Mederic Roberge,
14.	Agnes Dio,	Woonsocket,	at Woonsocket, R. I.
Feb.	Harry Lewis Arnold,	Bellingham,	Rev. James A. Thompson,
18.	Irene Clark Harding,	Bellingham,	at Walpole.
Apr.	Timothy J. Desmond,	Stoughton,	Rev. Martin J. Lee,
30.	Mary Frances Griffin,	Bellingham,	at Medway.
June	Moses La Forest, Jr.,	Woonsocket,	Rev. Martin J. Lee,
5.	Celia Rabideau,	Bellingham,	at North Bellingham.
June	Wilfred J. Coffey,	Woonsocket,	Rev. M. H. Kittredge,
27.	Florence E. Copeland,	Bellingham,	at Blackstone.
June	John W. Martin,	Woonsocket,	Rev. Guy Wilbur Miner,
28.	Anna Hogarth,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
July	Morton Collins Stewart,	Schenectady,	Rev. Francis R. Sturtevant,
6.	Emilie Parley Carlisle,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
July	Michael J. Kiernan,	Bellingham,	Rev. Martin J. Lee,
16.	Eva Bonoyer,	Bellingham,	at Medway.
July	Everett C. Davis,	Bellingham,	Rev. Guy Wilbur Miner,
30.	Gertrude Alice Pouport,	Franklin,	at Franklin.
Aug.	Loring Emery Johnson,	Franklin,	Rev. Guy Wilbur Miner,
29.	Ella Harriet Unwin,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
Oct.	Howard H. Fisher,	Mansfield,	Rev. B. R. Campbell,
31.	Hattie I. Staples,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
Nov.	Albert James Spencer,	Bellingham,	Rev. Guy Wilbur Miner,
8.	Ethel May Tucker,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
Nov.	Victor Woodbury Lee,	Bellingham,	Rev. Bruce R. Campbell,
30.	Eva K. Bowen,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.
Dec.	Louis T. Andres,	Bellingham,	Henry A. Whitney, J. of P.,
8.	Esther Johnson,	Bellingham,	at Bellingham.

Births Recorded in Bellingham, 1911.

Date	Name	Name of Parents
1910		
Mar.		
24.	Sarah Eda Clement,	Frank H. and Laura (Urquhart).
1906		
April		
16.	Philamina Bianco,	Luigi and Caroline (Omeimbo).
Jan.		
15.	Raymond T. Hart,	John M. and Rebecca S. (King).
Feb.		
6.	Marie Odile Melvina Jacobs,	Arthur and Mary (Plouffe).
18.	Ruth Bessie Symmes,	Wallace and Bessie (McKennison).
Mar.		
23.	Stella Louisa Dunning,	Charles and Grace (Wright).
April		
7.	Raymond Moore Provo,	James J. and Clara (Rivers).
28.	Marion Elizabeth Fowler,	Alton L. and Irene N. (Adams).
28.	Joseph Theodore Aram Broudeau,	Joseph A. and Lucinda (Dostaler).
May		
5.	Roy Eugene Belcher,	Ernest E. and Mabel (Hill).
18.	Joseph Zephyrin Armand Remillard,	Joseph and Merina (Chaput).
18.	Lillian Mary Brown,	Sidney G. and Helen B. (Caffey).
18.	Lillian May Christensen,	Carl M. and Florence M. (Lammaux).
28.	Ethel May Bennett,	Thomas and Clara (Bonjer).
June		
10.	Ermose Helen Tabbot,	Arthur K. and Helen A. (Haggerty).
11.	Joseph Alfred Alexis Rahoul St. Martin,	Alfred and Rose A. (Roy).
22.	Hilda Annette Camp,	Ernest T. and Ida L. (Metcalf).
24.	Albert Joseph Hurd,	Joseph and Katie (Kiernan).
July		
3.	Luella Annie Palmer.	Joseph A. and Gertrude E. (Estes).
9.	Clotilda Bernier,	Raymond and Celissa (Beauproid).
10.	Elvette Marie Gingross,	Joseph and Marie (Menard).
30.	Thomas Mahan,	John and Margaret (Byron).
30.	Margaret Murphy,	Patrick and Mary (Sheehey).
Sept.		
30.	Arthur Estes White,	William C. and Marion A. (Estes).
Oct.		
24.	Vera White,	Carroll F. and Annie E. (Abrams).
Nov.		
2.	Walter Francis Gibson,	Walter and Catherine (Nonk).
4.	Edwina Isadore Irons,	Edwin Z. and Lena C. (Caldwell).
5.	Paul Eurille Rivers,	Elzear and Marie (Beaunoryer).
Dec.		
31.	Joseph Ozam Wilrose Dalpe,	Alfred and Marië A. (Gingross).

Deaths Recorded in Bellingham, 1911.

Date	Name	Age			Cause of Death
Jan.		Y.	M.	D.	
20.	Francis Malcomb Feeley,	—	5	28	Bronchitis.
Feb.					
8.	George E. Bemis,	36	9	12	Acute Indigestion.
April					
16.	John McCarthy,	66	—	—	Cerebral Hemorrhage.
May					
2.	Margaret Fitzpatrick,	65	—	—	Pneumonia
21.	Harriet Elizabeth White,	73	2	14	Fatty Degeneration of Heart
22.	Stella Brothers	4	3	12	Scarlatina
June					
4.	Dorothy White	2	5	11	Pneumonia Empzema
6.	Catherine Thomas	89	8	24	Cerebral Hemorrhage
10.	Julia Maranda Adams	98	3	12	Senile Debility
August					
5.	Beatrice Lena Dessnisseau,		5	19	Cholera Infantum
31.	Polle Monti,		5	17	Cholera Infantum
Sept.					
4.	Raoul Beaudette	1	1	7	Cholera Infantum
23.	Charles Gould	82	3	26	Arterio Sclerosis
Oct.					
7.	Orrin F. Fisk	62	1	19	Congestion Apoplexy
7.	Loretta Iby,	—	10	14	Marasmus.
Nov.					
25.	Reul N. Smith	65	4	15	Arterio Sclerosis

TOWN MEETING, HELD MARCH 6, 1911.

Agreeable to a Warrant issued by the Selectmen of Bellingham, dated Feb. 20, 1911, and proper returns made thereon by the Constable, the legal voters met in the Town Hall, March 6, 1911, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded to business by the Clerk reading the Warrant and calling Article 1: To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

And choice was made of Warren E. Fairbanks.

Article 2. To bring in their vote on one ballot for the following Town Officers: Town Clerk for one year; Town Treasurer for 1 year; 3 Selectmen for 1 year; 1 Overseer of Poor for 3 years; 1 Assessor of Taxes for 3 years; 1 School Committee for 3 years; 4 Constables for 1 year; 2 Library Trustees for 3 years; 3 Fence Viewers for 1 year; 1 Tree Warden for 1 year; 1 Cemetery Committee for 3 years; 1 Collector of Taxes for 1 year; 1 Auditor for 1 year. Also on same ballot to answer the following question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor in this town?" "Yes" or "No." The polls to be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. and may be closed at 2 o'clock p. m.

At 10.10 o'clock, the balloting commenced. The election officers appointed by the Selectmen all were sworn by the Clerk, also cards of instruction and penalties, and sample ballots were posted in their proper places before the polls were opened. The Election Officers you will find on page 4. At 12.15 a recess was voted until 1 o'clock from the work they were on. Balloting continued. At 1.15 p. m. the Moderator and Town Clerk thought it advisable to open the ballot box and took out 100 ballots for the tellers to commence their work on. At 2.40 o'clock, 50 ballots more were taken from the box. Voted to close the polls at 3.30 o'clock. The polls were closed at that time, and the check list audily counted and 165 names found checked, alike on both lists and same number taken from the box. The ballots were canvassed by the tellers, the Clerk read the result of the ballot and the Moderator declared the election of the Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. At 11.45 o'clock, this article was taken up. Town Clerk's report voted to accept as printed.

Auditor's report voted to accept as printed.

Selectmen's report voted to lay the same on table, later taken from table and accepted.

Report of Committee on New Vault and Alterations on Town Hall voted to accept and extend the committee a vote of thanks.

Street Lighting committee report voted to lay on the table, afterward taken from the table and voted to accept.

Tree Warden report voted to lay it on the table, later taken from the table, voted to accept.

Overseers of Poor report voted to lay on the table, later taken from the table and voted to accept.

Memorial Day committee report voted to accept as printed.

Assessors of Taxes report voted to lay same on the table, afterward taken from the table and voted to accept.

Tax Collector's report for 1903 voted to accept; also report for 1904 voted to accept. The 1905 report voted to lay on the table. The 1906 report voted to lay on the table. The 1907 report voted to accept. The 1908 report voted to accept as printed. The 1909 report voted to accept as printed. The 1910 report voted to accept as printed. Afterwards the tax report of 1905 and 1906 were taken from the table and voted that the Collector for 1905 and 1906 use the authority of a Town Treasurer and collect all taxes due for 1905 and 1906 and pay the same into the town treasury by June 1, 1911.

Town Treasurer's report voted to lay same on the table, later taken from the table and accepted.

Library Trustees' report voted to lay same on the table, afterward taken from the table and voted to accept as printed.

School Committee report voted to lay it on the table, later taken from the table and voted to accept as printed.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following purposes:

1. Support of schools, including books, supplies, incidentals, transportation of scholars, and salary of Superintendent.
2. Highways, bridges, railings and guide boards.
3. Support

of poor. 4. Repair of town buildings. 5. Incidental items. 6. Printing. 7. Interest on town debt. 8. To pay town debt. 9. To pay off Town Officers. 10. Repairs in the cemeteries. 11. Decoration Day. 12. For Public Library. 13. Indigent soldier aid. 14. Use of Tree Warden. 15. Emergency fund. 16. For Board of Health. 17. For street lighting. 18. For State Aid. 19. Suppression of brown tail and gypsy moth. And voted:

For schools, including books, supplies, incidentals, transportation of scholars and salary of Superintendent	\$6,300 00
Highways, bridges, railings and guide boards....	1,000 00
Support of the poor, receipts of the farm and.....	1,400 00
Repair of town buildings.....	400 00
Incidental items.....	600 00
Printing	200 00
Interest on town debt.....	800 00
To pay off town debt. Voted to pass over.....	
To pay off Town Officers.....	1,100 00
Repairs in the cemeteries.....	30 00
Decoration Day.....	50 00
For Public Library, the receipts and.....	250 00
Indigent soldier aid.....	100 00
Use of Tree Warden.....	150 00
Emergency fund.....	400 00
Board of Health.....	100 00
Street lighting.....	1,300 00
State aid.....	600 00
Suppression of brown tail and gypsy moth.....	125 00

Article 13. For fighting forest fires, \$250.

Article 14. To see if the town will appropriate any money to stop the illegal sale of liquor and other nuisances, or act thereon. Voted \$100.

Article 15. To see if the town will appoint a Street Lighting Committee, or act or do anything thereon. Voted committee: Carroll E. White, Hadley D. Perkins, Henry W. Pickering, Michael T. Ryan, Judson E. Camp, with full power to act.

Article 5. To see if the town will give the Selectmen au-

thority to contract with the State Highway Commissioners as required under provisions of Section 10, Chapter 47 of the Revised Laws, or act or do anything thereon. Voted the Selectmen the required authority.

Article 6. To see if the town will assume damages, if any, which may result from the construction of State highway. Voted to assume all damages.

Article 7. To see when the several sums of money voted to be raised, shall be collected and paid into the treasury. Voted all taxes due Oct. 1, 1911, not paid by Nov. 1, 1911, interest be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. All taxes are to be paid by January 1, 1912.

Article 8. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow in anticipation of taxes. Voted the Treasurer authority to borrow money not to exceed \$10,000.

Article 9. To see if the town will authorize its collector to use all means of collecting the taxes, which a Treasurer has, when appointed a Collector, and to establish a Collector's salary. Voted to give him the authority of Treasurer, and his salary be 1 per cent. of all taxes committed to him.

Article 10. To see if the town will allow any bills that may be presented. No bills presented.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for surety bonds for Treasurer and Collector, or act or do anything thereon. Voted to pay such bonds to the amount of \$8,000.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to accept or reject the By-Laws as presented by the Committee to draft such laws for the town, or act or do anything thereon. Voted to pass over.

The vote:

TOWN CLERK.

Henry A. Whitney.....	127
Blanks	38

TREASURER.

Walter H. Thayer.....	123
Chester Richards.....	1
Frank Gay.....	1
Blanks	40

SELECTMEN.

Edward M. Hammann.....	78
Henry W. Pickering.....	88
Michael F. Ryan.....	137
Carroll E. White.....	83
Harold Bullard.....	1
Henry A. Whitney.....	1
Warren E. Fairbanks.....	1
Horace A. Brown.....	1
Wesley Howes.....	1
Philip Cormier.....	1
Blanks	103

ASSESSOR.

Orville C. Rhodes.....	131
Thomas Reiley.....	1
Blanks	33

OVERSEER OF POOR.

Felix S. Brothers.....	33
Walter Thayer.....	1
Blanks	44

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Clarence A. Crooks.....	60
Henry McCarthy.....	93
Henry Fisk.....	1
Blanks	11

AUDITOR.

Michael J. Kennedy.....	118
David G. Jones.....	1
Blanks	46

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Walter H. Thayer.....	124
Patrick O'Neil.....	1
Blanks	40

FENCE VIEWERS.

Maurice J. Connolly.....	133
Orville C. Rhodes.....	126
Clinton O. Whitney.....	118
Blanks	117

TREE WARDEN.

Henry A. Whitney.....	126
Blanks	39

CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

Orville C. Rhodes.....	119
Blanks	46

LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Olive Cook.....	122
David G. Jones.....	124
Frank Rand.....	1
Blanks	83

CONSTABLES.

Hiram E. Crooks.....	124
Edwin M. Bennett.....	127
James E. Kennelly.....	123
Walter H. Thayer.....	122
Blanks	164

LICENSE.

Yes	72
No	78
Blanks	18

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS:

*To either of the Constables of Bellingham.**Greeting:*

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Bellingham, on the twenty-sixth day of September A. D. 1911, at 7 o'clock, p. m., then and there to bring in their ballots to the Selectmen for nominations for Governor, Lieut.-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, County Commissioner, Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds; also elect district member to State committee, members of Town committee, delegate to State convention. The polls to be open at 7 o'clock p. m. and may be closed at 9 o'clock p. m.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the public places designated by a vote of said town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Bellingham, this 13th day of September, A. D. 1911

CARROLL E. WHITE,
MICHAEL F. RYAN,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

Sept. 16, 1911.

NORFOLK, SS.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of Bellingham to meet, at time, place, and for the pur-

poses within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this within warrant, at each the designated places in said town seven days before said meeting.

WALTER H. THAYER,
Constable of Bellingham.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters, assembled as requested, and at 7 o'clock P. M., the Clerk read the warrant. The ballots prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth were given to Orville C. Rhodes as a Republican and Timothy E. Foley as a Democrat to be given out by them, they having been appointed with Daniel Sullivan and Carroll F. White as ballot clerks and tellers of this meeting. The polls were closed at 9 o'clock P. M. The check counted 24 as having voted, 24 ballots found in the box, they were sorted and counted according to law. Declaration made as follows:

GOVERNOR.

Louis A. Frothingham, Republican	11
Joseph Walker, Republican	7
Eugene N. Foss, Democrat	5
Thomas L. Hisgen	1

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Robert Luce, Republican	16
Blanks	2
David I. Walsh, Democrat	6

SECRETARY.

Albert P. Langtry, Republican	13
Russell A. Wood, Republican	5
Frank J. Donaghan, Democrat	6

TREASURER.

Elmer A. Stevens, Republican	15
Blanks	3
Augustus L. Thorndike, Democrat	6

AUDITOR.

Herbert W. Burr, Republican	3
John E. White, Republican	12
Blanks	3
Charles B. Strecker, Democrat.....	6

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

James M. Swift, Republican	14
Blanks	4
George W. Anderson, Democrat.....	2
Joseph J. Leonard, Democrat	4

COUNCILLOR.

J. Stearns Cushing, Republican	12
W. Prentiss Parker, Republican	3
Blanks	3
Henry J. Dixon, Democrat.....	5
Blanks	1

SENATOR.

Charles H. Pearson, Republican	14
Blanks	4
James M. Folan, Democrat	6

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT.

Herbert E. Thompson, Republican	16
Blanks	2
James H. Spofford, Democrat	6

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Louis E. Flye, Republican	3
John F. Merrill, Republican	11
Eugene H. Sprague, Republican	2
Blanks	2
Michael F. Ryan, Democrat	1
Richard Cunningham, Democrat	1
Blanks	4

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin, Republican	15
Blanks	3

CLERK OF COURT.

Louis A. Cook, Republican	15
Blanks	3

STATE COMMITTEE.

Henry R. Hayes, Republican	14
Daniel L. Pendergrast, Democrat	3
Blanks	3

STATE CONVENTION.

Addison E. Bullard, Republican	16
Blanks	2
Patrick O'Neil, Democrat	4
Blanks	2

TOWN COMMITTEE.

Addison E. Bullard, Republican	16
Warren E. Fairbanks, Republican	16
Chester H. Richards, Republican	16
Wesley E. Howes, Republican	16
Clarence A. Crooks, Republican	16
Hadley D. Perkins, Republican	16
Henry A. Whitney, Republican	16
Blanks	2
Timothy E. Foley, Democrat	3
Eugene J. Connolly, Democrat	3
James Humes, Republican	2
Maurice Fitzpatrick, Jr., Democrat	3
Henry J. Foley, Democrat	3
Michael F. Ryan, Democrat	2
Daniel Sullivan, Democrat	1
Blanks	3

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER, 1911.

The Selectmen issued their warrant for the Town Meeting to be held Nov. 7, 1911, to elect officers for the place that nominations were made for Sept. 26, also to answer Yes or No to the following questions. Amendment to the Constitution, authorizing the use of voting machines at all elections (Chapter 75, Resolves of 1911). Amendment to the Constitution, increasing the power of the legislature to authorize the taking of land and property for highways or streets (Chapter 91, Resolves 1911). Acceptance of Chapter 634 Acts of 1911, entitled "An act to authorize the Counties of the Commonwealth to establish retirement system for their employees. The return was properly made by the Constable and the voters assembled in the Town Hall at 6 o'clock A. M., when those present found cards of instruction and all cards and specimen ballots posted. All election officers were sworn before commencing their duties. At two o'clock, it was voted to keep the polls open until three o'clock. At that time it was voted to close them at 3.45 o'clock and they were closed at that time. At two o'clock, by direction of the presiding of election officers and Clerk, the ballot box was opened and 100 ballots taken therefrom, for the tellers to commence work on. At closing of the polls, the check list was counted and 163 names found checked. The ballot box registered 166. Ballots counted from the box was 163. They were sorted, counted and declaration made of the vote cast, the returns filled out properly, signed and sealed up, when meeting adjourned.

The vote:

GOVERNOR.

James F. Carey of Haverhill	1
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Democrat	54
Eugene N. Foss of Boston, Democrat Progressive	12
Eugene N. Foss of Boston	4
Louis A. Frothingham of Boston	84
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford	1
Frank N. Rand of Haverhill	1
Blanks	6

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Walter H. S. Hutchins of Greenfield	2
Robert Luce of Somerville	88
William S. Merrill of Malden	3
Patrick Mulligan of Boston	4
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	59
Blanks	7

SECRETARY.

David Craig of Milford.....	3
Frank J. Donahue of Boston	58
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton	7
Rose Fenner of Worcester	3
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield	63
Blanks	9

TREASURER.

Joseph M. Coldwell of Milford	2
Jeremiah P. McNally of Salem	5
Charles E. Parker of Worcester	3
Elmer A. Stearns of Somerville	86
Augustus L. Thorndike of Brewster	54
Blanks	12

AUDITOR.

Karl Lindstrand of Lynn	1
Sylvester McBride of Watertown	4
William W. Nash of Westborough	3
Charles B. Strecker of Brookline	55
John E. White of Tisbury	89
Blanks	11

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

George W. Anderson of Boston	53
Henry C. Hess of Boston	2
George E. Roewer, Jr., of Boston	5
James M. Swift of Fall River	69
Blanks	14

COUNCILLOR.

J. Stearns Cushing of Norwood	89
Henry J. Dixon of Boston	60
Blanks	14

SENATOR.

James M. Folan of Norwood	61
Charles H. Pearson of Brookline	90
Blanks	12

REPRESENTATIVE.

James H. Stafford of Franklin	59
Herbert Eugene Thompson of Plainville	90
Blanks	14

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Richard Cunningham of Wellesley	51
Joseph Q. Hawes of Braintree	4
John F. Merrill of Quincy	90
Blanks	18

CLERK OF COURTS.

Louis A. Cook of Weymouth	107
Cornelius Sullivan of Stoughton	15
Blanks	41

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin of Dedham	113
Blanks	50

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION. FIRST.

Yes	66
No	38
Blanks	59

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION. SECOND.

Yes	68
No	22
Blanks	63

ACCEPTANCE OF CHAP. 634, ACTS OF 1911.

Yes	69
No	29
Blanks	65

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,

Town Clerk.

On the Seventeenth day of November, 1911, at twelve o'clock noon, in the Town Hall in Franklin, the Town Clerks of the Towns of Wrentham, Bellingham, Franklin, Foxborough and Plainville met and examined and compared transcript of the record of the vote cast on the Seventh day of November, 1911 for one Representative in the General Court for the 12th Representative District in Norfolk County, and ascertained that Herbert Eugene Thompson of Plainville was duly elected and issued a certificate of his election, one of which was transmitted to Secretary of State at Boston and one to the Constable of Plainville to be served on said Thompson.

The vote:

	Thompson	Stafford	Blanks	Total
Wrentham	187	31	19——	237
Bellingham	90	59	14——	163
Franklin	344	426	38——	808
Foxborough	344	167	61——	572
Plainville	219	18	20——	257
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Total	1184	701	152——	2037

Signed:

David T. Stone, Town Clerk of Wrentham.

Henry A. Whitney, Town Clerk of Bellingham.

Edwin A. Mason, Town Clerk of Franklin.

Howard E. Newton, Town Clerk of Foxborough.

James H. Shannon, Town Clerk of Plainville.

Attest:

HENRY A. WHITNEY,

Town Clerk.

Auditor's Report.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—In submitting to you my report as Auditor for the last fiscal year, would say that I have examined the books of the various departments of the town and have found them to be in correct balance to date. As you will find in the tax collector's report, there is a difference of \$17.03 in 1908 taxes between the sum to be collected and the amount collected. This was evidently an oversight and I find that the amount received has been properly disposed of.

By referring to the Selectmen's report on State Aid you will observe the account overdrawn to the amount of \$30.00. I would recommend that a like amount be appropriated to balance the account and the recommendations of the Selectmen for the current year be adopted.

The Treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditures and he holds in his possession receipts and receipted bills to that effect.

In my estimation I think it would be a benefit to the Town to act upon the following for the ensuing year as the state system of keeping Town records is more practical and up to date than the present system used. I have had a talk personally with the Director of the Bureau of Statistics and he informs me that in his estimation the cost to install this system would be from \$300 to \$500. Of course this is something which cannot be determined exactly, but it will cost the Town the same as it costs the State, which is included in the state tax the following year.

CHAPTER 598, ACTS OF 1910.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE AUDITING BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE
BUREAU OF STATISTICS OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Any town at a town meeting lawfully called for the purpose, and any city by vote of its city council, may petition the director of the bureau of statistics for an audit of its accounts; and the director shall, as soon as possible after the receipt of such petition, cause the audit to be made.

SECTION 2. At the time of making the audit of the accounts of any town as provided for in section one of this act, the director of the bureau of statistics shall prescribe for that town such a system of accounts as in his judgment will be most effective in securing uniformity of classification in the accounts of the towns of the commonwealth, and shall oversee the installation thereof.

SECTION 3. Any city in the commonwealth, by vote of its city council, may petition the director of the bureau of statistics to oversee the installation of a system of accounts approved by him; and the director, as soon as possible after the receipt of such petition, shall oversee the installation of such system of accounts.

SECTION 4. The director of the bureau of statistics, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, may, subject to confirmation by the governor and council, from time to time appoint additional assistants who shall receive such compensation as the governor and council may approve.

SECTION 5. The said director, upon the completion of an audit made under the provisions of this act, shall render a report to the city government or the board of selectmen, as the case may be, embodying the results of his findings, with such suggestions as he may deem advisable for the proper administration of the city or town finances.

SECTION 6. The expenses incurred under this act shall be paid in the first instance by the commonwealth; and the treas-

urer and receiver general shall thereupon issue his warrant, as provided in section thirty-four of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, requiring the assessors of the cities and towns concerned to assess a tax to the amount of the said expenses, and the said amounts shall be collected and paid over to the treasurer and receiver general in the same manner as other state taxes.

Approved June 9, 1910.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,

Auditor.

Selectmen's Report.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The Selectmen present the following annual report:

We have installed a cabinet in the vault for the safe keeping of the records, and there is a balance due of \$130 which would have been paid had we received payment from the R. R. Co., which amounts to over \$200 for fighting forest fires, which will soon be paid by the R. R. Co. ..

Last year the State St. Railway Tax was \$720. Had it been the same this year as we anticipated we would now have a balance left of over \$500. Receiving only \$170. This year the whole amount was used on the highway.

Selectmen's Financial Statement.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriation	\$1,100 00
From Emergency fund	35 82
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	\$1,135 82
Paid Selectmen and Registrars.	
M. F. Ryan	\$25 00
H. W. Pickering	25 00
C. E. White	35 00
Paid Overseers of the Poor.	
O. L. Bullard	50 00
H. W. Pickering	15 00
F. S. Brothers	15 00

Paid Assessors.

O. C. Rhodes	96 49
C. E. White	72 50
C. S. Carter	152 75

Paid School Committee.

T. E. Foley	20 00
J. O. Richardson	10 00

Paid Janitor.

James L. Graves	19 20
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Paid Tax Collector.

C. A. Crooks	56 31
W. H. Thayer	180 21

Paid Town Treasurer.

W. H. Thayer	100 00
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Paid Moderator.

W. E. Fairbanks	5 00
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Paid Auditor.

D. G. Jones	33 51
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Paid Town Clerk and Registrar.

H. A. Whitney	69 60
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Paid Inspector of Animals.

C. E. White	80 00
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Paid Fire Warden.

L. F. Thayer	10 00
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Paid Ballot Clerks and Tellers

37 25

Paid Constables and Police Duty.

E. M. Bennett	7 00
W. H. Thayer	15 00
Albert J. Spencer	4 00
Frank Duquette	2 00

 \$1,135 82

REPAIR OF TOWN BUILDINGS.

Appropriation		\$400 00
From emergency fund		22
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		\$400 22
Paid E. M. Slocomb	\$3 20	
Sylvester & Bruder	2 75	
Woonsocket Lumber Co.	18 86	
W. Arthur Bolster	8 00	
Geo. S. Whitney	125 52	
Fred N. Cass	219 50	
Edgar A. Chase	22 39	
	<hr/>	\$400 22

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation		\$50 00
Paid James O. Richardson	\$50 00	
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CEMETERIES.

Appropriation		\$30 00
From emergency fund		15 70
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		\$45 70
Paid O. C. Rhodes	\$24 70	
S. F. Metcalf	11 25	
H. A. Whitney	9 75	
	<hr/>	\$45 70

CEMETERY TRUST FUND.

Paid O. C. Rhodes	\$9 60	
S. F. Metcalf	18 00	
H. A. Whitney	21 25	
	<hr/>	\$48 85

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Appropriation		\$100 00
Paid Dr. S. Butler.....	\$14 00	
Henry W. Pickering.....	9 25	
William C. White	8 20	
C. E. White.....	20 00	
M. F. Ryan.....	5 00	
Balance unexpended.....	43 55	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

PRINTING.

Appropriation		\$200 00
From emergency fund.....		45 66
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		\$245 66
Paid Milford Journal Co.....	\$184 20	
H. Dangel & Co.....	17 00	
A. W. Brownell.....	10 00	
G. M. Billings.....	16 00	
Charles E. Cook.....	18 46	
	<hr/>	\$245 66

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation		\$150 00
Tree Warden's receipts.....		31 26
Transferred from emergency fund		13 32
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		\$194 58
Paid C. H. Towle.....	\$45 00	
Henry A. Whitney.....	149 58	
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GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTHS.

Appropriation		\$125 00
Paid Lewis E. Whitney.....	\$39 85	
Frost and Insecticide Co.	85	

Samuel Cabot.....	1 75	
Joseph Breck & Son.....	4 80	
Henry A. Whitney.....	77 55	
Balance unexpended.....	20	
	<hr/>	\$125 00

INCIDENTALS.

Appropriation	\$600 00	
From emergency fund.....	2 29	
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Paid Michael F. Ryan.....	\$22 00	
Henry A. Whitney.....	69 00	
Walter H. Thayer.....	22 00	
Henry W. Pickering.....	18 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons.....	112 90	
Walter L. Collins.....	69 03	
L. F. Thayer.....	21 36	
E. L. Burdakin.....	10 00	
C. E. White.....	58 00	
G. E. Stimpson & Co.....	75 00	
Art Metal Construction Co.....	120 00	
Carroll F. White.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$602 29

INDIGENT SOLDIERS' AID.

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Balance unexpended.....	100 00	

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00	
St. Railway Tax 1909 bal.....	1,142 62	
Excise Tax.....	366 99	
St. Railway Tax.....	170 98	
Transferred from emergency fund.....	22 27	
	<hr/>	\$2,702 86

Paid as per Superintendent's Report..... \$2,702 86

STATEMENT OF ST. RAILWAY TAX.

Balance 1911.....	\$1,142 62
Excise Tax 1911.....	366 99
St. Railway Tax.....	170 98

\$1,680 59

Paid Highway Department..... \$1,680 59

FOREST FIRE WARDEN.

Appropriation	\$250 00
Receipts	2 77
From emergency fund.....	261 37

\$514 14

Paid L. F. Thayer et al, 1910 bill.....	\$80 30
Badger Fire Extinguisher Co.....	93 75
Knowlton Press.....	3 50
Arnold, Hoffman & Co., Inc.....	6 63
L. F. Thayer.....	13 20
J. A. Spencer et al.....	234 76
Edwin F. Migneault.....	45 20
C. J. Fisher.....	11 90
J. M. Kelley.....	12 30
C. E. Davis.....	12 60

\$514 14

STREET LIGHTING.

Appropriation	\$1,300 00
Paid Union Electric Light Co.....	\$736 08
Edison Electric Illuminating Co. .	440 77
Balance unexpended.....	123 15

\$1,300 00

EMERGENCY FUND.

Appropriation		\$400 00
Transferred to repair of town buildings	\$ 22	
Transferred to forest fire warden....	261 37	
Transferred to cemeteries.....	15 70	
Transferred to highways.....	22 27	
Transferred to printing.....	45 66	
Transferred to tree warden.....	13 32	
Transferred to town officers.....	35 82	
Transferred to incidentals.....	2 29	
Balance unexpended.....	3 35	
	<hr/>	\$400 00

STATE AID.

Appropriation		\$600 00
Paid Amanda Adams.....	\$48 00	
John J. Gerstle and wife.....	120 00	
Joseph M. Burr and wife.....	120 00	
Thomas B. Spooner and wife.....	120 00	
Eliphalet S. Sears.....	72 00	
Marian Williams.....	48 00	
James O. Richardson.....	72 00	
John G. Gilmore.....	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$630 00

SUPPRESSION ILLEGAL SALE OF LIQUORS, ETC.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Balance unexpended.....	\$100 00

UNEXPENDED BALANCES.

Street lighting.....	\$123 15
Emergency fund.....	3 35
Memorial Day.....	2 25
Board of health.....	43 55

Gypsy moth	20	
Indigent soldiers' aid	100 00	
Suppression of liquor.....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$372 50

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS HAVE PAID.

Town officers.....	\$1,135 82	
Repair of town buildings.....	400 22	
Printing	245 66	
Memorial Day.....	50 00	
Cemeteries	45 70	
Cemeteries Trust fund.....	48 85	
Board of Health.....	56 45	
Gypsy and brown tail moth.....	124 80	
Tree Warden and elm beetle.....	194 58	
Incidentals	602 29	
State aid.....	630 00	
Street lighting	1,176 85	
Highways	2,702 86	
Forest fire warden.....	514 14	
	<hr/>	\$7,928 22

ESTIMATE OF SELECTMEN.

Support of schools.....	\$6,300 00
Support of poor.....	1,400 00
Highways	2,000 00
Repair of town buildings.....	150 00
Incidentals	500 00
Street lighting.....	1,200 00
Printing	200 00
Town officers.....	1,200 00
Interest	800 00
Cemeteries	30 00
Memorial Day.....	50 00
Library	250 00
Indigent soldiers' aid.....	100 00

State aid.....	650 00	
Tree Warden.....	25 00	
Gypsy and brown tail moth and elm beetle	200 00	
Board of Health.....	100 00	
Emergency fund.....	400 00	
School notes.....	1,000 00	
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Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL E. WHITE,
MICHAEL F. RYAN,
HENRY W. PICKERING,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

Report of the Superintendent of Highways.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—There has been considerable gravel put on the roads this year in all parts of the town. There was a piece from the bridge at Caryville mill to the Franklin line washed out in bad shape, and I could not get any teams at the north part so through the influence of Mr. Addison Bullard, I had the town of Franklin make the repairs, which cost \$52.50 and when it was finished, Mr. Bullard had them roll it with the steam roller and it has made a good road.

There has also been cinders put on the back road from Wm. Coombs' to Stone's and from the ByronWales corner to the Holbrook corner. The street railway furnished car and cinders. All it cost the town was for help—about \$70. Also over Scott hill, where gravel is scarce, I had the gutters plowed, and put in the road with the road machine, covering up the stone and making a fairly good road for a small cost. I think the road should be widened from Taunton street, across the meadow to the foot of the hill south of the cemetery, at Norcross corner. This is a dangerous place as there are places two teams would have hard work to pass. This could be done in good shape for five hundred dollars.

There is a culvert at the Naughton place in North Bellingham that needs relaying; also one in the center in front of Joseph Burr's and Burt Hancock's, as there is no water running through it.

J. A. SPENCER,

Superintendent of Streets.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Amount received from Treasurer:	
By appropriation.....	\$1,000 00
Street Railway Tax.....	1,680 59
Emergency fund.....	22 27
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	\$2,702 86

EXPENDITURES.

Amount paid for labor.....	\$1,685 20
Amount paid for teams.....	704 00
Amount paid for bridges and railings..	192 75
Amount paid for gravel purchased....	67 36
Amount paid for old snow bill	5 20
Amount paid for miscellaneous items..	48 35
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	\$2,702 86

2-HORSE TEAMS.

F. Brothers, 278½ hrs. @ \$.30	\$83 55
M. J. Connolley, 347 hrs. @ \$.30	104 10
J. E. Camp, 19 hrs. @ \$.30	5 70
E. Goggin, 337½ hrs. @ \$.30.....	101 25
L. F. Thayer, 331 hrs. @ \$.30.....	99 30
E. Webber, 426 hrs. @ \$.30	127 80
Steve Scott, 35 hours, @ \$.30.....	7 00
N. Gelina, 146 hrs. @ \$.30.....	43 80
E. Migneault, 14 hrs. @ \$.30.....	4 20
C. E. White, 96 hrs. @ \$.30	28 80
E. Rhodes, 41 hrs. @ \$.30.....	12 30
A. Rhodes, 12 hrs. @ \$.30.....	3 60
Jos. Gendrone, 72 hrs. @ \$.30	21 60
A. M. Whipple, 27 hrs. @ \$.30.....	8 10
A. Staples, 63 hrs. @ \$.30.....	18 90

1-HORSE TEAM.

E. Webber, 32 hrs. @ \$.20.....	\$6 40
F. Brothers, 44 hrs. @ \$.20	8 80
L. F. Thayer, 21½ hrs. @ \$.20.....	4 30
C. E. White, 3 hrs. @ \$.20.....	60
A. M. Whipple, 27 hrs. @ \$.20.....	5 40
F. Dawley, 7 hrs. @ \$.20.....	1 40
Michael F. Ryan, 5 hrs. @ \$.20	1 00
E. B. Whiting, 7½ hrs. @ \$.20.....	1 50
Charles Carter, 23 hrs. @ \$.20.....	4 60
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	\$704 00

AMOUNT EXPENDED FOR LABOR.

F. Brothers, 363½ hrs. @ \$.20	\$72 70
F. Brothers, man, 316½ hrs. @ \$.20	63 30
A. Barnes, 184½ hrs. @ \$.20.....	36 90
Joseph Bernier, 9 hrs. @ \$.20	1 80
Alton Cooke, 145 hrs. @ \$.20.....	29 00
Hiram Cook, 242 hrs. @ \$.20.....	48 40
W. Christintian, 104 hrs. @ \$.20.....	20 80
F. Connistion, 45 hrs. @ \$.20.....	9 00
J. Chicuchiolo, 45 hrs. @ \$.20.....	9 00
Charles Carter, 23 hrs. @ \$.20.....	4 60
Chester Carter, 23 hrs. @ \$.20	4 60
Harry E. Chase, 23 hrs. @ \$.20	4 60
J. E. Camp, 20 hrs. @ \$.20.....	4 00
Les Cook, 9 hrs. @ \$.20.....	1 80
Oney Cook, 77 hrs. @ \$.20.....	15 40
M. J. Connolley, 347 hrs. @ \$.20	69 40
Ed. McCaffery, 887 hrs. @ \$.20.....	177 40
John Dorrity, 209½ hrs. @ \$.20.....	41 90
F. Deluke, 45 hrs. @ \$.20.....	9 00
M. Deloney, 45 hrs. @ \$.20.....	9 00
F. Dawley, 7 hrs. @ \$.20.....	1 40
Geo. Edgar, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
Wilder Gardner, 168 hrs. @ \$.20	33 60

Jos. Gendrone, Sr., 72 hrs. @ \$.20	14 40
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J. Gelina, 155 hrs. @ \$.20	31 00
J. Gelina, man, 146 hrs. @ \$.20	29 20
Frank Gelina, 93 hrs. @ \$.20	18 60
Jos. Gerstle, 27 hrs. @ \$.20	5 40
John Graves, 130 hrs. @ \$.20	26 00
Jas. Graves, 36 hrs. @ \$.20	7 20
E. Goggin, man, 337½ hrs. @ \$.20	67 50
F. Gardipie, 25 hrs. @ \$.20	5 00
C. Lamier, 9 hrs. @ \$.20	1 80
Steve Scott, 26 hrs. @ \$.20	5 20
Steve Scott, man, 23 hrs. @ \$.20	4 60
Monroe Smith, 1½ hrs. @ \$.20	30
Ed. Spencer, 176 hrs. @ \$.20	35 20
Dan Sullivan, 59 hrs. @ \$.20	11 80
John Shean, 168 hrs. @ \$.20	33 60
A. Trask, 9 hrs. @ \$.20	1 80
L. F. Thayer, man, 331 hrs. @ \$.20	66 20
A. M. Whipple, 27 hrs. @ \$.20	5 40
A. M. Whipple, man, 108 hrs. @ \$.20	21 60
C. R. Whiting, 7½ hrs. @ \$.20	1 50
E. Webber, 9 hrs. @ \$.20	1 80
E. Webber, man, 426 hrs. @ \$.20	85 20
C. E. White, 89 hrs. @ \$.20	17 80
Michael F. Ryan, 5 hrs. @ \$.20	1 00
L. Tradi, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
J. Glickman, 322 hrs. @ \$.20	96 60
Ed. Lipsett, 63 hrs. @ \$.20	12 60
T. Litolie, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
L. Machine, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
E. Migneault, 14 hrs. @ \$.20	2 80
S. Neilson, 327 hrs. @ \$.20	65 40
W. Naughton, 67 hrs. @ \$.20	13 40
W. Penn, 263 hrs. @ \$.20	52 60
L. Pierce, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
Elbridge Rhodes, 41 hrs. @ \$.20	8 20
Arthur Rhodes, 12 hrs. @ \$.20	2 40

Ed. Ravelle, 57 hrs. @ \$.20	11 40
D. Ratty, 110 hrs. @ \$.20	22 00
Mr. Sears, 18 hrs. @ \$.20	3 60
M. Sonsare, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
D. Sorconda, 45 hrs. @ \$.20	9 00
J. A. Spencer, 425 hrs. @ \$.20	85 00
A. Staples, 63 hrs. @ \$.20	12 60
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	\$1,632 70

GRAVEL PURCHASED.

Paid L. F. Thayer, 729 loads @ \$.04 per load	\$29 16
F. Brothers, 37 loads @ \$.04 per load	1 48
Geo. Whitehead, 120 loads @ \$.04 per load ..	4 80
N. Galenia, 91 loads @ \$.04 per load	3 64
Addison Bullard, 657 loads @ \$.04 per load ..	26 28
Michael F. Ryan, 50 loads @ \$.04 per load ..	2 00
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	\$67 36

BRIDGES AND RAILINGS.

Paid E. A. Rhodes, for drain pipe	\$3 96
Highway Culvert Penn. Co.	93 00
City Lumber Co.	62 14
Town farm	33 65
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	\$192 75

Paid Town of Franklin to repairs on road at Caryville	\$52 50
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OLD SNOW BILL.

Paid George Crooks	\$2 80
L. F. Thayer	2 40
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	\$5 20

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Paid Cutter for Road machine	\$8 50
C. E. White, parts road machine	2 60
C. E. White, repairs on road machine	2 50
C. E. White, sharpening tools	2 45
F. Brothers, sharpening tools	1 40
L. F. Thayer, for tools	10 95
Clark Ellis & Sons, for tools	3 20
Clark Ellis & Sons, marker and nails	4 15
J. A. Spencer, for express and freight	6 50
J. A. Spencer, for carfare	6 10
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	\$48 35

J. A. SPENCER,
Superintendent of Streets.

Report of Street Lighting Committee.

The same number of lights have been furnished by the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. and Union Electric Lighting Co. as last year and the price being the same we recommend \$1,200 appropriation for ensuing year. For Financial Statement, we refer you to Selectmen's report.

Respectfully submitted,

CARROLL E. WHITE,
MICHAEL F. RYAN,
J. E. CAMP,
H. D. PERKINS,
HENRY W. PICKERING,

Street Lighting Committee.

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

To the Selectmen of Bellingham:

GENTLEMEN:—This year I have examined scales, smaller weights and measures and find them correct. I have weighed no commodities. I am asked by the State if such has been done. In my annual report to the State, I am obliged to report work done, and not done.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Tree Warden's Report.

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

In the report of last year, the last item, was concerning the trees bordering on, or within the limits of the highways, which are considered shade trees, and should not be cut without consulting the Tree Warden. This year, I will call your attention to that fact first, that it may not be passed over, or forgotten.

We were about two weeks late in beginning our work on the suppression of the elm leaf beetle, because of the illness of the parties who had been engaged to do the work. The trees were well sprayed; we used a stronger solution than last year, and this took nearly four hundred pounds of lead.

A perplexing question has to be decided as to cutting trees, which abutters wish cut and for which a hearing is held, and the tree condemned by the Tree Warden, as to whether or not the town shall pay for the clearing away of the tree. If the town is responsible for the work, more money will have to be appropriated.

After a careful estimate of the cost of lead, work, and incidentals, the Tree Warden feels that the least appropriation he can suggest for the coming year is \$175; with this amount of money no more work can be done, than was done last year.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. WHITNEY,

Tree Warden.

Report on Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths.

To the Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN :—The "scouting" for the present year, has been finished. We found Gypsy Moths in seven localities, which are three more than last year; one place is in Caryville where they were found two years ago. Without doubt the nests were there last year, but were under the bark, and so far from the ground that they could not be seen.

It is probable that the State Agent will order the ground cleared from brush, the trees scraped and sprayed; this is quite an expense as we discovered this year, when an oak had to be cleaned in a similar way.

Brown Tails were found in large quantities all over town. The work of destruction, has not been wholly accomplished, because of the severity of the weather during January, but will be attended to as soon as advisable.

According to law, all real estate owners are responsible for removing the nests from their trees, and they have all been so notified. If individuals do not clean their own trees, the town is obliged to do so, and may charge the expense to the owners, so far, however, the town has done the work free of individual charge.

When the books were closed last year, we had bills of over fifty dollars, unpaid; this year, our unpaid bills, are not over twenty-five dollars.

We ask for \$150 this year, thinking that will square all accounts and do the necessary work.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. WHITNEY,

Supt. of Suppression Work.

Report of Overseers of the Poor

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The Overseers of the Poor present the following report for the year ending February 1, 1912:

The Town Farm and Almshouse have been in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Chase since April 1, 1911.

INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE.

	Age	Weeks at Almshouse
Sarah Cross	55	52
Clarissa P. Adams	59	52
Mary Watt	66	52
John H. Eaton	85	52
Wm. E. Averhill	75	52
Dexter Bates	75	33

PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM AND ALMSHOUSE AS APPRAISED BY THE ASSESSORS JAN. 31, 1912.

Land and buildings	\$5,000 00
18 cows, 1 bull, 4 young stock	1,000 00
9 wagons and sled	350 00
3 horses	600 00
Household furniture	375 00
Small tools	200 00
Harness and blankets	100 00
Hay in barns	200 00
Farm machinery	175 00
Incubator and brooders	20 00
Ensilage	200 00

Lumber and posts	125 00
Cord wood	110 00
Stove wood	65 00
Potatoes and vegetables	40 00
Fowls	125 00
Grain	100 00
Hogs	125 00
Coal and oil	30 00
Small groceries	60 00
Fertilizer	5 00
Ice	50 00
Pork	25 00
Milk cans	30 00
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	\$9,110 00

CARROLL E. WHITE,
CHARLES S. CARTER,

Assessors of Bellingham.

RECEIPTS FROM FARM.

Fowls and eggs	\$231 66
Stock	169 50
Transporting scholars	360 00
Calves	37 00
Milk	1,789 81
Potatoes and vegetables	19 62
Junk	7 70
Wood, posts and lumber	122 84
Use of bull and boar	19 00
Pigs and pork	127 93
Labor	15 00
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	\$2,900 06

FROM OTHER SOURCES.

From Medway	\$104 00
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	\$3,004 06

EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM.

Hardware and seeds	\$85 75
Labor	535 78
Stock	547 00
Blacksmithing and wagon repairs	121 60
Grain	1,410 72
Repairing windmill	46 60
Hay	257 74
Harrow	19 00
Sundries for farm use	217 59
Groceries and meat	539 20
Dry goods and shoes	62 61
Doctors and medicine	6 80
Coal	44 81
Furniture	49 14
Sundries for house use	27 22
Salary of Supt. and Matron	458 34
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	\$4,429 90

OUTSIDE AID.

John E. O'Rourke at Milford hospital	\$68 50
Lucy Woodman, settlement Medway ..	52 00
Lucius Olney Cook, settlement Wren-	
tham	42 54
Moses Lemere, no settlement	26 23
William Lemere, no settlement	14 00
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	\$203 27

INCIDENTALS.

Postage, traveling expenses, pay of appraisers, etc..	\$15 02
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Overseers have approved bills and issued orders on Town Treasurer, Nos. 1346 to 1421 inclusive amounting to	\$4,648 19
They hold his receipts for	\$3,004 06
Town appropriation	\$1,400 00
Gain in appraisals	\$495 00

O. L. BULLARD,
H. W. PICKERING,
F. S. BROTHERS,

Overseers of Poor.

Note:—

By appropriation	\$1,400 00
Receipts from farm and other sources	3,004 06
Total receipts from all sources	<hr/> \$4,404 06

At the present date February 1, 1912, I am holding bills which amount to \$273.18 which could not be paid owing to the fact there were no funds to meet them. I would suggest that a separate appropriation be made to cover this amount and not take them into consideration in next year's appropriation.

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,

Auditor.

Memorial Day.

Memorial exercises were held at Bellingham Center, Sunday, May 28, 1911, by Post 60, G. A. R. of Franklin, accompanied by the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps. The exercises were under the directions of the Post. Reading by Miss Mildred V. Jones.

Medway Post decorated the graves at North Bellingham as usual.

Woonsocket Post decorated the graves at Rakeville under directions of Henry W. Pickering.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES, BELLINGHAM PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, TOWN HALL, BELLINGHAM,
FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1911.

PROGRAM.

March to Soldiers' Monument.

Music "The New Hail Columbia"
Schools.

Recitation "Memorial Day"
Dorothy Fairbanks.

Flag Drill
Massey Primary.

Recitation "The Phantom Army"
Massey Intermediate.

Music "Tenting To-night"
Schools.

Exercise
North Intermediate.

Recitation "The Red, White and Blue"
Marion Perkins.

Exercise
North Intermediate.

Recitation "In One Grave"
Corinne Vallerie.

Music "To Thee, O Country!"
Schools.

Recitation "The Heroes, Blue and Gray"
May Flannagan.

Exercise "Barbara Fritchie"
South Primary.

Recitation "Private Brown's Reflections"
Eva Symmes.

Music "America"
Audience and Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from town	\$50 00
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EXPENSES.

Paid Franklin Post	\$10 00	
West Medway Post	10 00	
Woonsocket Post	5 00	
Mr. Atwell, for school tickets and printing programs	15 50	
For flags, labor and expenses	2 25	
James Graves, for care of monu- ment urns	5 00	
Returned to Town Treasurer	2 25	
	<hr/>	\$50 00

JAMES O. RICHARDSON,

For The Committee.

Assessors' Report.

The Assessors of the Town of Bellingham present the following list of the valuation and tax for the year 1911:

STATISTICS.

Number of persons assessed on polls	432
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only	240
Number of residents assessed on property	331
Number of non-residents assessed	190
Whole number of persons assessed	770
Number of horses assessed	244
Number of cows assessed	441
Number of other cattle assessed	69
Number of swine assessed	83
Number of fowls assessed	4,310
Number of dwelling houses assessed	336
Number of acres of land assessed	11,041
Valuation of personal estate	\$156,740
Valuation of real estate	777,535
Total valuation	\$934,275

Rate of Taxation \$17.00 per \$1,000.

ORVILLE C. RHODES,
CARROLL E. WHITE,
CHAS. S. CARTER,

Assessors of Bellingham.

Tax Collector's Report.

1905 TAXES.

DR.

Balance due Treasurer Feb. 1, 1911 ..	\$539 96	
Interest due Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912 ...	166 51	
	<hr/>	\$706 47

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912	\$462 55	
Abatements paid Treasurer Feb. 1,		
1912	30 61	
Interest paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912	166 51	
Balance uncollected	46 80	
	<hr/>	\$706 47

1906 TAXES.

DR.

Balance due Treasurer Feb. 1, 1911...	\$792 91	
Interest due Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912...	195 89	
	<hr/>	\$988 80

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer Feb. 1, 1912	\$664 34	
Abatements	32 17	
Interest	195 89	
Balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912	96 40	
	<hr/>	\$988 80

MICHAEL F. RYAN,

Collector.

1908 TAXES.

DR.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1911...	\$114 05	
Interest collected	16 57	
Later assessments	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$136 62

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer to Feb. 1,		
1912	\$75 74	
Taxes on property held by town ...	6 69	
Interest collected to Feb. 1, 1912...	16 57	
Amount of abatements	20 59	
Error between Assessors' account		
and total amount of taxes	17 03	
	<hr/>	\$136 62

1909 TAXES.

DR.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1911...	\$1,174 90	
Interest collected	105 88	
	<hr/>	\$1,280 78

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer to Feb. 1,		
1912	\$1,098 08	
Interest paid Treasurer	105 88	
Taxes on property held by town	6 40	
Amount of abatements	44 80	
Balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912...	25 62	
	<hr/>	\$1,280 78

1910 TAXES.

DR.

To balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1911..	\$3,680 05	
Interest collected	92 92	
Assessments of Feb. 25, 1911	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,778 97

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer to Feb. 1,		
1912	\$2,653 03	
Interest paid Treasurer	92 92	
Taxes on property held by town	6 80	
Amount of abatements	93 77	
Balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912...	932 45	
	<hr/>	\$3,778 97

1911 TAXES.

DR.

To amount to be collected	\$17,195 39	
Interest collected to Feb. 1, 1912...	46 22	
	<hr/>	\$17,241 61

CR.

By amount paid Treasurer to Feb. 1,		
1912	\$13,118 21	
Interest paid Treasurer	46 22	
Taxes on property held by town....	34 85	
Amount of abatements.....	54 70	
Balance uncollected Feb. 1, 1912..	3,987 63	
	<hr/>	\$17,241 61

Balance outstanding on 1909-10-11 taxes..... \$4,945 70

WALTER H. THAYER,

Collector.

SUMMARY.

UNCOLLECTED TAXES FEB. 1, 1912.

Michael F. Ryan (years 1905-1906)	\$ 143 20
Walter H. Thayer (years 1909-1910 and 1911) ...	\$4,945 70
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	\$5,088 90

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY,

Auditor.

Town Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1911.....		\$2,848 08
From State Treasurer:		
Tuition of children.....	\$108 00	
Compensation of Inspector of		
Animals	40 00	
Corporation tax, public service..	2 02	
Corporation tax, business.....	1,148 10	
National Bank tax.....	145 47	
State Aid.....	504 00	
Street Railway tax.....	170 98	
High school tuition in special cases		
(school)	568 85	
State school fund (school).....	1,309 47	
From County Treasurer:		
Dog licenses for 1911 (school)..	287 29	
Clerk of district court, fines.....	76 00	
C. E. White, Hoag Lake license.....	5 00	
Edward Clifford and Earl Wales license		
on Hoag Lake dance hall	20 00	
C. E. White, old windows.....	3 00	
Town of Medway, outside aid (poor)..	104 00	
Bertha Franklin, library fines (library)	2 55	
H. A. Whitney, suppression of elm		
leaf beetle	19 00	
H. A. Whitney, material and labor as		
Tree Warden	31 26	
C. A. Rockwell, Town Home produce	435 90	
Edgar A. Chase, Town Home produce	2,464 16	
Borrowed money.....	10,000 00	

N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., forest fire account	172 40
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., damage on acid	2 77
Dutcher school fund (school).....	416 66
James O. Richardson, Memorial Day receipts	2 25
Mary R. Thayer, cemetery trust fund for Henry Young, Charles and George Thayer lot	75 00
Mary E. Sherburne, cemetery trust fund for Albert G. Burr lot ...	40 00
Emma J. Adams, cemetery trust fund for David F. Adams lot	100 00
James L. Graves, town hall rent	21 00
John Graves, town hall rent	4 50
F. G. Atwell, tuition of Donne Haure- gard (school)	5 30
Milford National Bank, allowance on check book	10 00
Public Library, heating room (school)	6 00
Walter H. Thayer, taxes	17,206 65
Walter H. Thayer, tax abatements for 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911	213 86
Walter H. Thayer, taxes on property held by town	54 74
Michael F. Ryan, taxes	1,489 29
Michael F. Ryan, tax abatements for 1905, 1906	62 78
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	\$40,176 33

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Selectmens orders	\$7,928 22
School committee orders	8,774 30
Overseers of Poor orders	4,375 01
Public Library orders	252 26
State tax	1,320 00

County tax	612 21	
Borrowed money	11,000 00	
Interest on borrowed money	208 56	
Certification of notes	12 00	
District court	38 23	
Interest on town note	80 00	
On account of Town Hall note ..	1,000 00	
Interest on Town Hall note	135 00	
One South School note	500 00	
One Commonwealth note on school house	500 00	
Interest on South School notes ...	220 00	
Interest on Commonwealth notes..	183 75	
Repair of state highways	159 00	
Abatements of taxes to balance...	276 64	
Taxes on property held by town ..	54 74	
Cash on hand	2,546 41	
	<hr/>	\$40,176 33

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Milford Savings bank, notes on South school house, at 4 per cent.	\$5,000 00	
Commonwealth notes on school house, at 3½ per cent.	5,000 00	
Milford Savings bank, town hall note, at 4½ per cent.	2,000 00	
L. F. Thayer note, at 4 per cent.	2,000 00	
Milford National bank note No. 5, in anticipation of taxes, at 4 per cent.	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$15,000 00

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, including cemetery trust fund and interest	\$2,546 41
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WALTER H. THAYER,
Treasurer.

CEMETERY TRUST FUND ACCOUNT.

Name of Lot.	Amount Pro- vided.	Interest due for year 1911.	Amount Expended During the Year.		Balance Due on Each Lot, to Feb. 1, 1912.
Zebina Bullard	\$100 00	\$4 00	Paid	S. Fred Metcalf	\$11 58
A. P. Eaton	50 00	2 00	"	"	2 93
Sarah Holbrook	100 00	4 00	"	"	10 64
P. Bryant	100 00	4 00	"	"	7 14
Mary Metcalf	100 00	4 00	"	"	5 08
B. Benedict	40 00	1 60	"	"	2 23
Jarvis Cook	50 00	2 00	"	"	4 27
E. Barber	30 00	1 20	"	"	0 00
Charles A. Mason	200 00	8 00	"	Orville C. Rhodes	0 00
Avery Cook	200 00	8 00	"	"	10 51
Lavinia Taft	50 00	2 00	"	Henry A. Whitney	10 61
A. M. Clark	30 00	1 20	"	"	13 81
Amos Keach	50 00	2 00	"	"	4 40
Olive Cushman	50 00	2 00	"	"	6 75
Calvin N. Rockwood	100 00	4 00	"	"	6 25
Benjamin E. Marble	50 00	2 00	"	"	4 00
Martin Rockwood	50 00	2 00	"	"	4 33
Ira Fiske	50 00	2 00	"	"	2 00
Fred Sherburne	50 00	2 00	"	"	3 83
Warren Lazelle	37 50	1 50	"	"	3 78
Philip Partridge	30 00	1 20	"	"	1 58
George Nelson	25 00	1 00	"	"	2 05
Henry Young, Charles and George Thayer	75 00	1 79	"	"	1 27
Albert G. Burr	40 00	0 21	"	"	1 79
David F. Adams	100 00	0 37	"	"	0 21
			"	"	0 37
	\$1,757 50	\$64 07			\$130 00
					\$48 85

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Bellingham, on the Fourth day of March, A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers:

Town Clerk for 1 year; Town Treasurer for 1 year; 3 Selectmen for 1 year; 1 Overseer of Poor for 3 years; 1 Assessor of Taxes for 3 years; 1 School Committee for 3 years; 4 Constables for 1 year; 2 Library Trustees for 3 years; 3 Fence Viewers for 1 year; 1 Tree Warden for 1 year; 1 Cemetery Committee for 3 years; 1 Collector of Taxes for 1 year; 1 Auditor for 1 year. Also on the same ballot to answer the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" "Yes" or "No." The polls to be opened at 10 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers.

ARTICLE 4. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following purposes:—1st, to

support of schools, including books, supplies, incidentals, transportation of scholars, and salary of Superintendent; 2nd, highways and bridges, railing and guide boards; 3rd, support of poor; 4th, repair of Town Buildings; 5th, incidental items; 6th, printing; 7th, interest on Town Debt; 8th, pay of Town Debt; 9th, pay of Town Officers; 10th, repairs in cemeteries; 11th, Decoration Day; 12th, public library; 13th, indigent soldiers' aid; 14th, use of Tree Warden; 15th, Emergency fund; 16th, Board of Health; 17th, street lighting; 18th, State Aid; 19th, suppression of Brown Tail and Gypsy Moth.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will give the Selectmen authority to contract with the State Highway Commission as required under provisions of Section 10, Chapter 47, of the Revised Laws, or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will assume damages, if any which may result from the construction of State Highway.

ARTICLE 7. To see when the several sums of money voted to be raised shall be collected and paid into the treasury.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will authorize its collector to use all means of collecting the taxes which the Treasurer has, when appointed a Collector and to establish a Collector's salary.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow \$1,000.00 for a period of not exceeding six months to renew or refund Note No. 5 issued in anticipation of the taxes of 1911, dated September 22, 1911, and due March 22, 1912.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will allow any bills that may be presented.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to pay for surety bond for Treasurer and Collector, or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate any money for the purpose of fighting forest fires, also to see if

Town will accept of Chapter 398, of Acts of 1910 or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will appropriate any money to stop the illegal sale of liquor, or other nuisances, or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will appoint a Street Lighting Committee, or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to take up with M., A. & W. St. Ry. Co., the granting a 5-cent fare, from all sections of the Town not having the same to all Caucuses and Town Meetings; or act or do anything thereon.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any money for the purpose of celebrating the Bi-Centennial (1919) Incorporation of the Town of Bellingham or act or do anything thereon.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the public places designated by a vote of said town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Bellingham this Twenty-third day of February, A. D., 1912.

CARROLL E. WHITE,
MICHAEL F. RYAN,
HENRY W. PICKERING,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

ATTEST:

.....
Constable of Bellingham.

Public Library, Bellingham.

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The Trustees of the Free Public Library present to the citizens this seventeenth annual report.

We organized Mar. 16, 1911, with W. E. Howes, Chairman; Mrs. Alice A. Burr, Secretary and Miss Bertha Franklin, Librarian.

The Trustees have held quarterly meetings during the year. A report of our library was sent to Charles F. D. Belden, Chairman of the Free Public Library Commission.

A change in the service at Crooks Corner Branch has been made: The branch was closed Aug. 1, 1911, and the faithful service of Mrs. Esther Copeland was appreciated.

Branch was re-established Oct. 10, 1911 at the home of Mrs. Ethel Cook.

Books have been exchanged every six week during the year. W. E. Howes and A. A. Burr were the carriers to the branches.

The Trustees were invited to the meeting of the Southern Worcester Library Club, by Miss Anna M. Bancroft, Hopedale, to hear Chairman Belden.

Pictures from the Woman's Educational Association, Boston, have uplifted our art department. The book givers were: Mr. John Albee, Mr. Frank Rand, Mr. David G. Jones, Miss Amy Aldrich, Thomas Spooner.

The Free Public Library Commission Magazine givers were: Mrs. G. E. O'Connor, Mr. Frank Rand, Mrs. J. A. Putnam, Mrs. Wm. White, Mr. Joseph Burr, Miss Abbie Pickering.

By the courtesy of Mr. Atwell the books have been carried

to the schools. The Trustees would recommend an appropriation of \$300.

WESLEY E. HOWES,

Chairman.

MRS. ALICE A. BURR,

Secretary.

MRS. OLIVE COOK,

MRS. MAY S. WRIGHT,

MISS BERTHA FRANKLIN,

DAVID G. JONES.

Trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$250 00
Received from fines	2 55
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	\$252 55

EXPENDITURES.

Books	\$151 23
Librarian's salary	65 00
Janitor	5 00
Heating	6 00
Incidentals, including postage, travel- ling expenses, printing, supplies, etc.	25 03
Unexpended balance in Town Treas- urer's hands	29
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	\$252 55

MISS BERTHA FRANKLIN,

WESLEY E. HOWES,

Chairman.

MRS. ALICE A. BURR,

Secretary.

DAVID G. JONES.

Librarian's Report.

To the Board of Trustees of the Bellingham Free Public Library:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Bellingham Free Public Library for the year ending Jan. 31, 1912:

The main endeavor has been in the direction of beneficial work for service to the public.

Longer hours on the opening days have been given to give out books and to users at the Reading table.

Buying books oftener is a gained policy measuring quality for how amiss it is to look for quantity in choosing books. What the readers want in different sections of our town is practical remembering we buy for men, women, boys, girls and little folks.

There has been a gain of non fiction readers among the boys and girls. No book has been bought except by authority from the board.

More duplicates of leading books is a plan to consider.

Our Library is a large family with home circulation from the central and branches marking time. Teachers in outside schools return appreciation from aid given their scholars in reference work. It is always a pleasure to help choose the book of advantages.

The weeding out of books from our book stock is suggested. The Library has been growing for 17 years and naturally has a few weeds.

Our Library should have modern tools like other departments of the town with future economy and efficiency kept in view. The Free Public Library Commission whose specialty is library work is a wise teacher. We ought to be a willing scholar. The meetings of the Massachusetts Library club at East Gloucester, New Bedford and Chelsea told us the wider way in our activities.

Wanted: Voters to upkeep our charter. With the board we have furnished some light to human kind.

ACCESSIONS.

Volumes added, 214; by purchase, 144; by gift, 21; by State, 11; by Free Public Library Commission, 38.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

From Central Library	5,207
From Caryville	854
From Crooks' Corner	611
From North Bellingham	384
From South Bellingham	198
From Rakeville	168
Lent to branches	952

Respectfully submitted,

MISS BERTHA FRANKLIN,

Librarian.

BOOKS ADDED FROM FEB. 1, 1911, TO FEB. 1, 1912.

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1806	Doctor's Christmas Eve,	Allen
1807	Christmas Angel,	Brown
1808	Routledge Rides Alone,	Comfort
1809	Danger Trail,	Curwood
1810	Adventures of a Modest Man,	Chambers
1811	Anne Nelson,	Curtis
1812	Merry Lips,	Dix
1813	Skipper and the Skipped,	Day
1814	Texas Blue Bonnet,	Elliott
1817	Broad Highway,	Farnol

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1818	Yardstick Man,	Goodrich
1819	Patrician,	Galsworthy
1820	Bolted Door,	Gibbs
1821	Jack Collerton's Engine,	Godfrey
1822	Maude Baxter,	Hotchkiss
1823	Master and Maid,	Harker
1824	Eve's Second Husband,	Harris
1825	Circuit Rider's Wife,	Harris
1826	Dixie Hart,	Harben
1827	Prodigal Judge,	Kester
1828	Me Smith,	Lockhart
1829	Depot Master,	Lincoln
1830	Deep Sea Warriors,	Lubbock
1831	Daughter of the Marionis,	Oppenheim
1832	Dan Merrithew,	Perry
1833	An Old Maid's Vengeance,	Powell
1834	Nancy Rutledge,	Pyle
1835	Borrowed Sister,	Orne
1836	Up to Calvins,	Richards
1837	Wooring of Calvin Parks,	Richards
1838	Cavalier of Virginia,	Roberts
1839	Samoset,	Sylvester
1840	Tom Grogan,	Smith
1841	History of the Robins,	Trimmer
1842	Tinkham Bros.' Tide Mill,	Trowbridge
1843	City of Beautiful Nonsense,	Thurston
1844	Robinetta,	Wiggin
1845	Happy Hawkins,	Wason
1846	Molly Make Believe,	Abbott
1847	Little Prospector,	Baylor
1848	Sydney Carteret Rancher,	Bindloss
1849	Wheels of Time,	Barclay
1850	Little Princess,	Burnett
1851	Phrynette,	Curtin
1852	Open Water,	Connolly
1853	She Buildeth Her House,	Comfort

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1854	Fast Mail,	Drysdale
1855	Young Consul,	Drysdale
1856	Billy Topsail and Company,	Duncan
1857	Dawn O'Hara,	Ferber
1858	Miller of Old Church,	Glasgow
1859	Dweller on the Threshold,	Hichens
1860	God's Troubadour,	Jewett
1861	Long Roll,	Johnston
1862	Little Miss Fales,	Knipe
1863	More Mother Stories,	Lindsay
1864	On the Threshold,	Munger
1865	Story Girl,	Montgomery
1866	Moving Finger,	Oppenheim
1867	Love Under Fire,	Parrish
1868	Midshipman Paulding,	Seawell
1869	Mr. Jeremy Fisher,	Potter
1870	Second Violin,	Richmond
1871	Lion's Skin,	Sabatini
1872	Children's City,	Singleton
1873	Farm Book,	Smith
1874	Cynthia of the Minute,	Vance
1875	Canon in Residence,	Whitechurch
1876	Kidnapped Millionaires,	Adams
1877	When Love is Done,	Davis
1878	Crime and Punishment,	Dostoyevsky
1879	Doe Gordon,	Freeman
1880	Lord Cammasleigh's Secret,	Horniman
1881	Brewster's Millions,	McCutcheon
1882	Literary Guillotine,	
1883	People of the Whirlpool,	Wright
1884	Stories of Pioneer Life,	Bass
1885	Short Stories from American History,	Blaisdell
1886	Pinocchio,	Colloor
1887	Stories of American Life and Adventures,	Eggleston
1889	Story of the Bible,	Foster
1890	Story of Massachusetts,	Hale

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1891	Strange Stories of 1812,	Henderson
1892	Strange Stories of the Civil War,	Henderson
1893	Stories of Heroic Deeds,	Johornot
1894	Rafael in Italy,	McDonald
1895	Woman of America,	McCracken
1896	Peasant and the Prince,	Martineau
1897	Earth's Bounty,	Maur
1898	Toby Tyler,	Otis
1899	Strange Stories of Colonial Days,	
1900	Dandelion Cottage,	Rankin
1901	Strange Stories of the Revolution,	Seawell
1902	Book of Legends,	Sœudder
1903	Little Jarvis,	Seawell
1904	Stories of Brave Dogs,	
1905	St. Nicholas 1910,	
1906	How to Tell Stories to Children,	Bryant
1907	Popular Girl,	Baldwin
1908	Clovernook,	Carey
1909	Varda,	Ebers
1910	Ladies Companion,	
1911	What Can a Woman Do,	Rayne
1912	John Sherwood Ironmaster,	Mitchell
1913	Iron Woman,	Deland
1914	Great Diamond Pipe,	Buchan
1915	Miss Gibbie Gault,	Bosher
1916	Mary Cary,	Bosher
1917	Following of the Star,	Barclay
1918	Leaven of Love,	Burnham
1919	Secret Garden,	Burnett
1920	Ne'er-Do-Well,	Beach
1921	Prairie Courtship,	Bindloss
1922	Jim,	Bell
1923	Ensign Ralph Osborne,	Beach
1924	Keeping Up With Lizzie,	Bachelor
1925	Trail of the Axe,	Cullum
1926	Ardent American,	Codman

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1927	One Way Out,	Carleton
1928	Spirit of the Island,	Coates
1929	Measure of a Man,	Duncan
1930	Her Roman Lover,	Frothingham
1931	Mary,	Graham
1932	Glory of the Conquered,	Glaspell
1933	What Diantha Did,	Gilman
1934	Year in a Coal Mine,	Husband
1935	Second Amendment,	Hansbrough
1936	Her Little Young Ladyship,	Kelly
1937	Cap'n. Warren's Wards,	Lincoln
1938	Glory of Clementina,	Locke
1939	Price,	Lynde
1940	When God Laughs,	London
1941	Andersons,	Macnaughtan
1942	Fair Irish Maid,	McCarthy
1943	Mary Midthorne,	McCutcheon
1944	Harvester,	Porter
1945	Master Christopher,	Pasture
1946	Primer of Parliamentary Law,	Robert
1947	Strawberry Acres,	Richmond
1948	Kennedy Square,	Smith
1949	Rolf in the Woods,	Seton
1950	Son,	Train
1951	Winning of Barbara Worth,	Wright
1952	Cabin,	White
1953	Mother Carey's Chickens,	Wiggin
1954	People of Popham,	Wemyss
1955	Girl in the Other Seat,	Webster
1956	Marjorie's Maytime,	Wells
1957	Brothers in Fur,	White
1958	Durable Satisfaction of Life,	Eliot
1959	Is Mankind Advancing,	Martin
1960	Mother West Winds Children,	Burgess
1961	Boy Ranchers of Puget Sound,	Bindloss
1962	Common Law,	Chambers

NO.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
1963	Miss Livingston's Companion,	Dillon
1964	Long Green Road,	Greene
1965	Queed,	Harrison
1966	Garden of Allah,	Hichens
1967	Peggy Stewart,	Jackson
1968	Gleaners,	Laughlin
1969	Woman Haters,	Lincoln
1970	To the Highest Bidder,	Kingsley
1971	Good Men and True,	Rhodes
1972	Weaver of Dreams,	Reid
1973	Lord Loveland Discovers America,	Williamson
1974	Titus,	Kingsley
1975	Christie's Old Organ,	Walton

BIOGRAPHY.

120	Lives of the Presidents of the United States,	Frost
121	Life of Charles Sumner,	Nason
122	P. T. Barnum,	Barnum

HISTORY.

245	Library of Congress,	
246	Address and Presidential Messages,	Roosevelt
247	Milton on Son of God,	
248	Fifth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers,	Roe
249	Railway Library,	
250	Library of Congress,	
251	Twenty-Fourth Annual Report of the Interstate Commerce Commission.	

SCIENCE.

71	Forest Trees of Massachusetts,	Clarke
72	Neighbors Unknown,	Roberts
73	Cocoa and Chocolate,	
74	Standard of Perfection,	

No.	TITLE	AUTHOR.
75	Sea Beach at Ebbside,	Foote
76	Body and Its Defenses,	Jewett
77	Healthful Farmhouse,	Dodd
78	Harper's Machinery Books for Boys,	Adams
79	American Girls' Handy Book,	Beard
80	Chalk Modeling,	Heffron
81	Wild Animals Every Child Should Know,	Rogers

TRAVEL.

103	Our Little Indian Cousin,	_____
104	Peeps at Many Lands—Switzerland,	
105	Seen in Germany,	Baker
106	Europe in Pictures,	Barnard
107	Across South America,	Bingham
108	Rocky Mountains,	Johnson
109	Great Lakes,	Johnson

VITAL RECORDS.

102	West Boylston.	107	Foxborough.
103	Hanson	108	Newburyport.
104	Wrentham.	109	Leominster.
105	Chester.	110	Ipswich.
106	Andover.	111	Pembroke.

POETRY.

55	Golden Numbers.	_____
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REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF THE
TOWN OF BELLINGHAM,
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1911-1912.



MILFORD, MASS.:
MILFORD JOURNAL CO., PRINTERS,
1912.

School Committee Organization, 1911-1912.

JAMES O. RICHARDSON, Chairman,	Term expires 1912
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY, Secretary,	Term expires 1913
HENRY A. McCARTHY,	Term expires 1914

SUPERINTENDENT.

F. G. ATWELL.

TRUANT OFFICERS.

H. A. WHITNEY,	O. J. FISHER,
W. C. WHITE,	F. G. ATWELL.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

DR. SAMUEL A. BUTLER.

CENSUS ENUMERATOR.

HENRY A. WHITNEY.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN
BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 AND 16.

F. G. ATWELL.

Report of School Committee.

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

Your School Committee respectfully submit the following annual report.

The committee organized with James O. Richardson, chairman, and Timothy E. Foley, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Joint School Committee of the district, held at Hopedale, Mr. F. G. Atwell was re-elected Superintendent.

The South school building needs shingling and this should be attended to at once.

The desks in the North and Center school buildings are in very bad condition, and it is the opinion of your committee that at least some of them be replaced during the present school year.

The better ones can be greatly improved by re-staining or re-varnishing.

We submit, following our financial statement, the Superintendent's report, which is worthy of your careful consideration.

We would respectfully ask for an appropriation of \$6,300 for the ensuing year.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Appropriation	\$6,300 00
Balance Mass. School fund.....	239 55
District School fund.....	416 66
Tuition State wards.....	108 00
High School tuition.....	568 85

Dog tax.....	287 29	
Income Massachusetts School fund....	1,309 47	
Heating Library room.....	6 00	
Local tuition.....	5 30	
	<hr/>	\$9,241 12

EXPENDITURES.

Teaching	\$4,096 00	
Care	705 70	
Fuel	748 81	
Text Books.....	148 06	
Repairs	22 42	
Incidentals	119 74	
Supervision	608 30	
Supplies	135 57	
Transportation	1,151 00	
Tuition	1,038 70	
	<hr/>	\$8,774 30
Unexpended balance, Massachusetts School fund..		\$466 82

MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Balance left from last year.....	\$239 55	
Received in January, 1912.....	1,309 47	
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Paid teacher's salary.....	\$798 57	
Paid books and supplies.....	283 63	
	<hr/>	\$1,082 20
Balance left unexpended.....		\$466 82

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES.

SUPERVISION.

Paid F. G. Atwell.....	\$608 30
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TEACHING.

Paid Frances Hallier, 36 weeks, North	\$441 00
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Freda M. Duplesis, 36 weeks,	
North	387 00
Helen G. Sadler, 12 weeks, North	126 00
Gertrude M. Rockwell, 1 week,	
North	7 50
Catherine Lyman, 23 weeks, North	207 50
Mabel A. Drake, 36 weeks, North	387 00
Eva M. Jackson, 36 weeks, Center	441 00
Ethel G. Rockwell, 36 weeks,	
Center	387 00
Grace E. Blackman, 18 weeks,	
Center	189 00
Lena DeLoura, 18 weeks, Center	180 00
Annie E. Bragdon, 36 weeks, South	441 00
Lula B. Coleman, 36 weeks, South	369 00
Marion L. Straw, 18 weeks, South	180 00
Lucretia E. Gale, 18 weeks, South	198 00
Helen L. Varney, drawing teacher	155 00
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	\$4,096 00

CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Paid Oliver J. Fisher, 36 weeks.....	\$234 00
Oliver J. Fisher, cleaning.....	15 35
James O. Richardson, 36 weeks...	216 00
James O. Richardson, cleaning...	12 90
William C. White, 36 weeks.....	216 00
William H. Penn, cleaning.....	11 45
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	\$705 70

TRANSPORTATION.

Paid Poor Department 36 weeks.....	\$360 00
L. Francis Thayer, 36 weeks.....	324 00
A. W. Carr, 18 weeks.....	162 00
John McCarthy, 18 weeks.....	162 00
M., A. & W. St. Ry.....	143 00
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	\$1,151 00

TUITION.

Paid Town of Franklin for High School	\$486 00	
Town of Milford for High School	552 70	
	<hr/>	\$1,038 70

FUEL.

North School:—

Paid J. E. Camp & Sons, 30.245 tons coal @ \$6.40.....	\$193 57	
Edmund Goggin, 1 load pine limbs	4 00	
S. Fred Metcalf, 4 cords sawed wood, @ \$5.25.....	21 00	
S. Fred Metcalf, 1½ cords pine wood	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$222 57

Center School:—

Paid L. Francis Thayer, 29 tons coal @ \$6.50.....	\$194 67	
L. Francis Thayer, 2 cords sawed wood @ \$6.00	12 00	
L. Francis Thayer, 2½ cords sawed oak @ \$6.00	15 00	
L. Francis Thayer, 1 cord sawed slabs	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$225 17

South School:—

Paid J. E. Camp & Sons, 38.2815 tons coal @ \$6.05.....	\$231 60	
S. E. Scott, hauling same @ \$.60	22 97	
E. A. Rhodes, 2 cords pine limbs @ \$3.00.....	6 00	
E. A. Rhodes, 2 cords sawed oak @ \$7.00.....	14 00	
Edwin Cook, 1 load pine limbs...	4 00	

L. Francis Thayer, 1 cord sawed wood	6 50	
L. Francis Thayer, 2 tons coal @ \$8.00.....	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$301 07

TEXT BOOKS.

Paid American Book Co.....	\$26 80	
Silver Burdett Co.....	8 34	
D. C. Heath & Co.....	14 38	
Thos. Groom.....	12 50	
Ginn & Co.....	8 00	
Educational Pub. Co.....	10 00	
E. E. Babb & Co.....	33 13	
Chas. Merrill & Co.....	14 40	
Little, Brown & Co.....	10 00	
F. G. Atwell.....	4 90	
Express and cartage.....	5 61	
	<hr/>	\$148 06

SUPPLIES.

Paid J. L. Hammett Co.	\$94 96	
Milton Bradley Co.....	12 71	
Milford Journal Co.....	7 00	
F. W. Martin.....	3 50	
Paul St. Jaques.....	1 65	
L. Francis Thayer.....	2 70	
F. G. Atwell.....	9 30	
Oliver J. Fisher.....	2 90	
Wm. C. White.....	25	
Wm. Penn.....	60	
	<hr/>	\$135 57

REPAIRS.

North School:—	
Paid Clark Ellis & Sons, 3 door checks.....	\$12 35
Center School:—	
Paid L. Francis Thayer.....	10 07
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	\$22 42

INCIDENTALS.

Paid Wm. C. White, service as truant officer	\$1 50
Cornelius Allen, use of well from Feb. 1, 1910, to Feb. 1, 1911	5 00
L. Francis Thayer, cleaning vault, old bill.....	1 75
F. G. Atwell, expense for teachers	2 87
Eldredge & Son, floor dressing....	16 00
James O. Richardson, fixing bell..	50
Oliver J. Fisher, glass, putty, repairing clock and six bags of cement.....	9 60
Samuel A. Butler, M. D., school physician	35 00
L. Francis Thayer, cleaning vault	1 50
F. G. Atwell 1-3 cost of stamped envelopes	3 55
J. Allen Rice & Co., for disinfectant	1 95
Wm. Rattier, cleaning vault.....	1 50
Wm. Barrett, repairing bell.....	1 50
Cornelius Allen, use of well from Feb. 1, 1911, to Feb. 1, 1912	5 00
Clark Ellis & Sons, 1 grate and 2 dump centers.....	9 50
Henry A. Whitney, taking school census	7 50

Patrick O'Neil, cleaning vaults..	2 00	
F. G. Atwell, 1-3 'phone rental..	6 75	
Paul St. Jaques, mdse.....	4 70	
F. G. Atwell, cash paid for music, etc.	67	
F. G. Atwell, various bills paid...	1 40	
	<hr/>	\$119 74

JAMES O. RICHARDSON,
TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,
HENRY A. McCARTHY,

School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Committee of Bellingham:

The eighteenth annual report of the superintendent of schools is herewith presented.

Judged as a whole, I think your schools are in better condition and are doing better work than at any previous time since they came under my supervision. The teachers are earnest and devoted, most of the pupils are willing workers, and there have been but few troublesome cases of discipline. These are natural and almost inevitable results wherever unity of purpose, professional spirit, and loyal co-operation prevail. It is a mathematical axiom that the whole is greater than any of its parts. So in team work, the team is larger and more important than any individual member composing it, and in a school system, the individuals are but the parts of a larger and more important whole. This has been a year of team work.

It would be very gratifying to all teachers and school officials if the parents would visit schools more and see for themselves the kind and quality of work their children are doing and the amount of effort they are putting forth. One school in town is conspicuous for the active, concentrated, and sustained attention of the pupils to every item of school work. In several others, the interest and responsiveness of the pupils would first be noticed by a visitor. Another is doing some especially fine work with muscular movement writing. All of the pupils are much interested in the drawing and have done remarkably well. Other features of special excellence might be mentioned.

The kindness and generosity of the Grange in offering prizes for the best essays on bird life and its protection were very much appreciated. The pupils took a deep interest in the subject,

and the search for material tended to impress them with its importance. While the experience was entirely new to the children, and for this reason, perhaps a little difficult, it was of distinct benefit to them. Our sincere thanks are hereby extended to the Grange.

We did not get past the summer vacation without some changes in teachers. The resignation of Miss Sadler occurred in the spring, and Miss Catherine Lyman was appointed as a substitute for the remainder of the year. Her work was so satisfactory that the appointment was made permanent. Miss Blackman secured a very desirable situation in Orange, New Jersey, and Miss Lena DeLoura was elected to fill the vacancy. Miss Straw was offered a higher salary to go to Franklin, and Miss Lucretia Gale succeeded her at South Bellingham. All of the new teachers are graduates of normal or training schools, and at the present writing are doing good work.

The attendance is not quite so regular as it should be, especially at South Bellingham. There are a few pupils here who remain out for very slight reasons. In most cases it is more the fault of the parent than of the child. These parents do not seem to understand that the law requires every child between seven and fourteen years of age to attend school all the time the schools are in session. There are certain exceptions, but none that apply to this school. The law goes a step farther than to require a child to merely attend school. He must learn something. He must acquire a certain amount of knowledge, and this in the English language, before he can secure a labor certificate.

The prevalence of smallpox during the early part of the school year in several parts of New England, and especially in Rhode Island, lent importance to the fact that some of our pupils have not been vaccinated. According to law no child shall be allowed to attend school unless he has been successfully vaccinated or presents a certificate from a physician stating that he is not a fit subject for vaccination. While we have not a very large number of children who have failed to comply with the law, the experience of last fall convinces me that we should not have any. It was said that the rapid spread of smallpox in Rhode Island was due to the fact that the law relating to vaccination had

not been properly enforced by the school authorities. I have no means of knowing how much truth there may have been in the statement, but it is certainly unsafe and unwise for us to be lax in the matter.

The fact that South Bellingham is especially exposed to danger from contagious diseases was alluded to in last year's report. It lies on the border of a large manufacturing area and is practically continuous with Woonsocket. Hundreds of people pass through Bellingham every day on their way from one manufacturing town to another, and during an epidemic of any contagious disease, would constitute an element of danger. If smallpox should break out in Woonsocket, it probably would mean the compulsory vaccination of every pupil in town not previously vaccinated, even if the outbreak occurred in the cold of mid-winter. It is hoped that all parents of unvaccinated children will be convinced of the greater safety and convenience of having the matter attended to during the coming summer vacation. I would further recommend that no child be allowed to enter school in September until he has fully complied with the law relating to vaccination.

The custom of bringing all the schools together for Memorial Day exercises is a good one. It is a little strenuous for the teachers, and perhaps for the pupils also, but it is worth while. The exercises this last year were especially creditable.

Throughout the year we have kept in mind the now generally accepted truth that a knowledge of facts and a facility with processes are not the only things to be gained in school. Training is often more important than information, and character more important than either. Mental discipline, correct habits, high ideals, and earnestness of purpose are of quite as much value in the business world as a knowledge of books. We are trying to teach the child to be as well as to know.

Thanking parents, teachers, and committee for their cordial assistance, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. ATWELL,

Superintendent of Schools.

STATISTICAL TABLE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1910-1911.

SCHOOLS.	Average Mem- ber- ship.	Average At- tend- ance.	Per Cent. of At- tend- ance.	Num- ber between 5 and 15.	Num- ber between 7 and 14.	Num- ber over 15.	Total Enrol- ment.	Total Days of Ab- sence.	Tar- dy.	Dis- missed.	Tru- ants.	Cor- poral Pun- ish- ment.	Vis- its by Supt.	Vis- its by Oth- ers.
North Grammar	25.99	24.01	92.41	25	21	2	27	342	72	22	2	0	32	15
North Sub "	29.41	27.50	93.50	29	29	1	30	328	47	7	0	0	25	9
North Intermediate	30.51	28.05	91.79	32	32	0	32	437	32	10	0	1	26	13
North Primary	23.31	20.65	88.54	24	13	0	24	462	27	3	0	0	26	11
Massey Grammar	17.02	14.79	86.80	18	11	0	18	384	15	3	0	0	40	53
Massey Intermediate	21.00	18.36	88.76	22	21	1	23	401	24	17	0	4	40	36
Massey Primary	24.84	22.84	91.00	29	20	0	29	341	19	5	0	2	40	37
South Grammar	23.00	19.00	82.00	27	23	3	30	514	105	58	1	4	29	82
South Intermediate	27.70	22.80	83.00	37	33	2	39	880	38	46	0	2	21	7
South Primary	21.90	18.75	84.50	29	18	0	29	525	80	15	4	3	16	39
SUMMARIES.	244.68	216.75	88.58	272	221	9	281	4614	459	186	7	16	295	302

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1911.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	APPOINTMENT.	WHERE FITTED.
NORTH.			
Grades 7, 8, 9,	Frances Hallier,	Sept., 1904,	Newburyport Training.
Grades 5, 6,	Freda Duplessis,	Sept., 1906,	Normal Art.
Grades 3, 4,	Katherine Lyman,	Sept., 1911,	Framingham Normal.
Grades 1, 2,	Mabel Drake,	Sept., 1904,	Framingham Normal.
MASSEY.			
Grades 7, 8, 9,	Eva M. Jackson,	Sept., 1906,	Colby Academy.
Grades 4, 5, 6,	Lena DeLoura,	Sept., 1911,	Framingham Normal.
Grades 1, 2, 3,	Ethel Rockwell,	Sept., 1906,	Framingham Normal.
SOUTH.			
Grades 6, 7, 8,	Annie E. Bragdon,	Sept., 1909,	Gorham Normal.
Grades 3, 4, 5,	Lucretia Gale,	Sept., 1911,	Gloucester Training.
Grades 1, 2,	Lulu B. Coleman,	Sept., 1910,	Springfield, Vt., High.
DRAWING,	Helen L. Varney,	Sept., 1907,	Normal Art School.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, SEPT., 1911, TO JUNE, 1912.

Fall term of 14 weeks begins Sept. 11, 1911, and closes Dec. 15, 1911.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Winter term of 12 weeks begins Jan. 1, 1912, and closes March 22, 1912.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Spring term of 10 weeks begins April 8, 1912, and closes June 14, 1912.

Holidays:—

Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, SEPT., 1912 TO JUNE, 1913.

Fall term of 14 weeks begins Sept. 9, 1912, and closes Dec. 13, 1912.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Winter term of 12 weeks begins Dec. 30, 1912, and closes March 21, 1913.

VACATION OF TWO WEEKS.

Spring term of 10 weeks begins April 7, 1913, and closes June 13, 1913.

Holidays:—

Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following, February 22, April 19, and May 30.

ROLL OF HONOR, 1910-1911.

FIVE TERMS.

Massey Grammar—Annie Drescher.

THREE TERMS.

North Sub-Grammar—Addison Speare.

Massey Intermediate—Earl Thayer.

Massey Primary—Edith Aldrich, Grace White.

FALL AND SPRING TERMS.

North Grammar—Cecil Howarth, Dorothy Fairbanks.

Massey Intermediate—Elmer Moore, Ernest Aldrich.

Massey Primary—Catherine Richards.

South Grammar—Ruth Unwin.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

North Grammar—Leo Dee.

North Primary—Lena Hefferman.

FALL TERM.

North Sub-Grammar—Annie Nieber.

North Intermediate—Harold Lipsett.

North Primary—Theresa Collins.

Massey Grammar—Marjorie Symmes, Elizabeth Sears,
Roland Chamberlain, Mildred Whiting.

Massey Intermediate—Harry Boone, Alvin Moore, Phil
Rockwell.

Massey Primary—Rilla Sanderson, Carlton Gaskill, Charlie
Richard, LeRoy Moore.

WINTER TERM.

North Grammar—Fabian Wyman, Elsie Bigwood.

North Intermediate—Loretta Desmond.

North Primary—Helen Kelliher.

South Grammar—Warren Leland, Bertram Perkins.
South Intermediate—Marion Perkins.

SPRING TERM.

North Grammar—May Dee.

North Sub-Grammar—Ellen Connolly, Myra Dee, May Flannagan, Rita Kennelly, Mark McMahon, Francis Woodhead.

North Intermediate—Harold Burke, William Fairbanks, Cornelius Allen, Ruth Fairbanks, Ernest Provo.

North Primary—Timothy Allen, Mary Cibello, Tony Cibello, Louis Cibello, Ernest O'Rourke, Clarence Reed.

Massey Grammar—Arthur Bruder.

Massey Intermediate—Mary Monroe.

Massey Primary—Carrie Iby, Chester Gaskill.

South Grammar—Jennie Gelinas.

South Intermediate—May Wood, Blanche Varieur, Raymond Mowry, Ruth Rhodes, George Rhodes.

South Primary—Mildred Mowry, Eloise Rhodes, Frank Care, Mary Larefiere, Harriet Whiting.

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES, BELLINGHAM PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, TOWN HALL, BELLINGHAM,
FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1911.

PROGRAM.

March to Soldiers' Monument.

Music, The New Hail Columbia
SCHOOLS.

Recitation, Memorial Day
DOROTHY FAIRBANKS.

Flag Drill,
MASSEY PRIMARY.

Recitation, The Phantom Army
MASSEY INTERMEDIATE.

Music, Tenting Tonight
SCHOOLS.

Exercise,
NORTH INTERMEDIATE.

Recitation, The Red, White, and Blue
MARION PERKINS.

Exercise,
NORTH PRIMARY.

Recitation, In One Grave
CORINNE VALLIERE.

Music, To Thee, O Country!
SCHOOLS.

Recitation, The Heroes, Blue and Gray
MAY FLANNAGAN.

Exercise, Barbara Frietchie
SOUTH PRIMARY.

Recitation, Private Brown's Reflections
EVA SYMMES.

Music, America
AUDIENCE AND SCHOOLS.

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